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SUBJECT: PRAVDA REPORTS SOVIET DECEMBER 18 STATEMENT ON MIDDLE
EAST

1. PRAVDA (DECEMBER 20) CARRIES AN UNATTRIBUTED ITEM
WITH SIX-PARAGRAPH TEXT OF "STATEMENT" DELIVERED BY
DOBRYNIN TO SECRETARY DECEMBER 18 CONCERNING US DE-
CEMBER 1 RESPONSE TO SOVIET NOVEMBER 9 MIDDLE EAST PRO-
POSAL.

2. COMMENT. THE TEXT AS GIVEN IN PRAVDA DOES NOT SEEM
TO GO BEYOND PREVIOUS PUBLIC AND PRIVATE POSITIONS, BUT
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TWO FEATURES ARE MILDLY STRIKING. ALTHOUGH THE STATE-

MENT MAKES THE NEGATIVE SOVIET ATTITUDE TOWARD MULTILATERAL
PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE VERY EXPLICIT, IT DOES NOT REJECT
IT OUT OF HAND. SECONDLY, THE ONLY POINT IN THE US
RESPONSE WHICH WAS ACCEPTED BY MOSCOW WAS THE PROPOSAL
FOR BILATERAL US/SOVIET CONSULTATIONS ON THE QUESTION
OF A RECONVENED CONFERENCE. THE STATEMENT MAKES IT
APPEAR, HOWEVER, THAT THIS LATTER POINT WAS ADDED ALMOST
AS AN AFTERTHOUGHT, AND THE TONE WOULD SEEM TO REFLECT
A DISTINCT LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR SUCH CONSULTATIONS.
ON THE WHOLE, STATEMENT STRIKES US AS MEANT LARGELY FOR
PROPAGANDA PURPOSES.
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